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DFA URGES EARLY FILING OF REQUESTS FOR  
AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT FISHING PLANTS

Albert M. Day, Administrator of the Defense Fisheries Administration, today announced that applications for authorization to construct fish processing and production facilities should be postmarked by midnight, October 15, 1951, in order to be eligible for consideration for a first quarter, 1952, allotment of controlled materials.

As claimant agency for the fishing industry, Mr. Day said that the Defense Fisheries Administration will process applications for the construction of fish handling plants such as fish canneries, fish reduction plants, dock facilities for loading and unloading, and filleting plants.

Since the amounts of controlled materials required for this type of construction usually exceed the self certification limits, prospective builders requiring more than 25 tons of carbon and alloy steel, including structural steel, not to include more than 2½ tons of alloy steel and no stainless steel, 2,000 pounds of copper and copper base alloys, and 1,000 pounds of aluminum, must file CMP-4C forms in accordance with NPA Regulations 4A and CMP-6.

For all subsequent quarters, applications must be postmarked by midnight of the 15th day of the first month of the quarter preceding the one for which the delivery of the controlled materials is scheduled. Only cases involving hardship, disaster, or extreme essentiality can be considered after these dates, and then only if any unallotted amounts of material remain.

This action is necessary, Mr. Day explained, since the quantities of controlled materials for this type of construction are severely limited, and only by considering all applications for any particular quarter at a single time can the most equitable distribution be made. Early filing of requests for permission to construct, and for allocations of controlled material, is likewise necessary so that builders of approved projects can place their orders in time to obtain delivery in the quarter in which the material is required.

Application forms, CMP-4C, and instruction sheets may be obtained from field offices of the Department of Commerce. However, such applications should be mailed directly to the Defense Fisheries Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C. All questions, said Mr. Day, should be answered in as complete detail as possible, with particular emphasis on the instructions contained in Section 1 of Form CMP-4C.

Firms contemplating construction of fish handling or processing plants during 1952 should inform the Defense Fisheries Administration of their plans as far in advance as possible so that controlled materials for the projects can be obtained for the quarter in which they will be required.

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